

CENTRE FOR EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION, OECD
INNOVATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

“Innovative Learning Environments” (ILE) is a leading project in OECD’s [Centre for Educational Research and Innovation \(CERI\)](#). It is focused on innovative ways of organising learning for young people (ages 3-19) at the micro-level and on evidence of what makes the environments in which this takes place effective. We argue that such focus should underpin the 21st century education reform agenda.

Over 25 countries and regions are active in ILE, providing examples of innovative learning environments and discussing practical ways ahead. We are working with innovators, leaders, decision-makers, experts and practitioners engaged in educational change in these different systems.

The project is processing and analysing the evidence from the learning sciences and the innovations in the field and identifying implications for change. So far two full OECD publications have been produced: [Innovating to Learn, Learning to Innovate](#) in 2008 and [The Nature of Learning: Using Research to Inspire Practice](#) in 2010. Specifically, ILE aims to:

Analyse and synthesise international research findings from different parts of the world - the **Learning Research strand** – to inform the design and creation of environments supporting deeper and more effective learning. A major milestone of this project strand was reached with the 2010 publication.

Identify and analyse concrete examples of innovative learning environments from many different countries and contexts - the **Innovative Cases strand**. Eventually over 150 cases will have been brought together in common format from the participating systems and other sources (the “Universe”), with around 40 of these being subject to case study research analysis (the “Inventory”). On this basis, we are creating the project’s online knowledge base and producing a new report, to be published in the first half of 2012.

Engage with the many systems and stakeholders involved to identify ways ahead to implement desirable change - the **Implementation and Change strand**. This is bringing in parallel CERI work on broader innovation issues, and will be the main focus of ILE work in 2012.

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